

REMARKS

Claims 1-19, 96, 111-113 and 126-129 appear in this application for the Examiner's review and consideration.

In order to expedite the prosecution of the present application and obtain at least a portion of the subject matter to which Applicants believe they are entitled and without conceding to the validity of the rejection in the final Office Action mailed April 21, 2006, Applicants have amended claims 126 and 137 and canceled claims 20-95, 97-110, 114-125 and 130-133 without prejudice to Applicants' rights to pursue the subject matter of the canceled claims and/or present amendments in one or more related applications.

Claims 126 and 127 have been amended. Support for the amendment to the Ar₂ group of claim 126 can be found, e.g., at page 50, lines 8-9. Support for the amendment to the Ar₂ group of claim 127 can be found, e.g., at page 54, lines 13-14.

Applicants acknowledge with appreciation the allowance of claims 1-19, 96, and 111-113.

The Office Action has objected to claims 126-129 as containing non-elected subject matter but states that these claims would be allowable if rewritten to embrace elected subject matter. Claims 126 and 127 have been amended to recite, *inter alia*, that Ar₁ of Formula VI and VII, respectively, each comprises a pyridinyl group. As amended, claims 126 and 127 embrace elected subject matter, do not recite non-elected subject matter, and are believed to be allowable. Claims 128 and 129, depending from claims 126 and 127, respectively, are also believed to be allowable. Upon entry of this amendment, the only remaining claims in this application will be allowed claims 1-19, 96 and 111-113, and believed to be allowable claims 126-129.

Favorable reconsideration of the application in view of the amendments and remarks made herein and early allowance of all of the claims are respectfully requested, since all the present claims have either been allowed or are believed to be allowable.

No fee is believed to be due for this amendment. Should any fee be required, please charge such fee to Jones Day Deposit Account No. 50-3013. If any issues remain in connection herewith, the Examiner is respectfully invited to telephone the undersigned to discuss the same.

Respectfully submitted,

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